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Switzerland is to vote, on the 12th of May, on the question of adopting or rejecting a revised Constitution, recently proposed by the Federal Council.

The Committee on Ways and Means has decided to recommend several marked reductions of the rates of duty upon staple imports. The most important is that upon woollen fabrics, the tariff on which is knocked down 50 per cent. At the same time, large additions to the free list of drugs, chemicals, and raw materials for manufactures, will be recommended.

Additional returns from the New Hampshire election do not alter the result as announced by us yesterday morning. The vote in 204 towns gives, for Governor:

Straw (Rep.)	36,799
Weston (Dem.)	34,319
Blackmer (Temp.)	309
Cooper (Lab.), and scattering	535
Straw's majority over all	1,636

This majority is expected to be reduced below 1,500 by the returns from the distant towns. The smallness of the third and fourth party votes, upon the temperance and eight-hour issues, is something to be noted. Its very insignificance is, of itself, significant.

Hotel-room must be scarce in Washington just now, in view of the great influx of lobby members to look after the many jobs now pending before one or the other house of Congress. Of these, the lobby for the Bayfield & St. Croix land-grant is reported so be one of the largest and most active ever mustered; and it is said that money considerations have been freely tendered to Representatives as inducements to vote for the measure. Here is a good subject for a fresh investigation, lest that highly salutary species of Congressional gymnastics be allowed to fall into desuetude. Meantime, the pine forests of Michigan have sent a swarm of lumbermen and capitalists down to the Senate, as if Birnam wood had undertaken to come to Dunsinane, and change the result upon the much-buffeted Chicago Relief bill.

A slight flurry over the recently-enacted statute against drunkenness and irresponsible saloon-keeping is to occur at Springfield to-day, the opponents of the law having assembled for the purpose of making a demonstration in behalf of certain particular beverages. *Per contra*, a larger meeting of the friends of the law was held in the Hall of the Assembly last evening, and in the Senate, yesterday, a petition was presented from 1,000 convicts at Joliet, remonstrating against the repeal. The most of the inmates of the Penitentiary can doubtless claim to be conversant with the workings of the rum-fiend; nevertheless, the the relation of the Joliet gentlemen to the State is such that, except upon a humanitarian measure like this, their opinions might not weigh as heavily as those of an equal number of law-abiding citizens.

The produce markets were again weak today, and rather less active. Mess pork declined 15@20c per brl, closing at $11.45 cash; $11.60 seller April, and $11.60 seller May. Lard was 5c per 100 lbs lower, closing at $8.12 1-2 cash, $8.25 seller April, and $8.40 seller June. Dry salted meats steady, at 4c, 5 3-4c, and 6 1-8@6 1-4c for shoulders, short ribs, and short clear, all loose. Flour was more active, and steady. Wheat was weak, declining 1-2c, but closed firm, at $1.21 5-8@1.21 3-4 seller the month; $1.22 7-8 seller April; and $1.26 7-8 seller May. Corn was less active and weak early, but closed firmer, at 39@39c cash; 37c seller April, and 41c seller May. Oats were dull and 1c lower, at 30c cash; 30½c seller April, and 33¼@33½c seller May. Rye was more active, but 2c lower, closing at 66c for No. 2 cash or seller April. Barley was 1½c lower, closing at 50c for No. 2. Highwines were late lower, at 83½c. Dressed hogs were quiet and steady at $5.00a5.12½ per 100 lbs. Live hogs were less active and easier, though without quotable change, sales making at $4.40a4.80. Cattle and sheep were fairly active and steady, the former at $3.00a5.75, and the latter at $5.00a8.00.

In the Federal Senate, yesterday, Mr. Conkling called up his resolution for an investigation into the recommendations by the certain Senators of candidates for office, and manned it with such deadly effect that his own was the only voice recorded against saying it on the table. Conkling had adopted the major part of Trumbull's amendment, and pressed it as a due vindication of the individuals referred to therein, the same as he opposed the main resolution as a vindication which he demanded on his own behalf. Senator Trumbull volunteered the remark that a resolution of this sort, which omitted the case of Senator Morton, would be like the play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out; while Fye, as whistling past the graveyard of many Senatorial reputations, made a joke at the expense of his friend Conkling. The latter thing said, however, was the protest of Hamilton, the great Texas orator, who remarked, with an unction worthy of Boyle Roche, that "all the *hue and cry* which had been raised against the Administration would soon be *swept away* like dew before the sun;" and he might, with a quotation from his Irish prototype, have added, in deprecation of the "investigating mania," that these gentlemen would swing their murderous axes until they have cut off the heads of all of us and laid them upon the table, to stare us in the face!

The calling of the ayes and noes upon the motion tabling Conkling's resolution was broken off by the expiration of the morning hour; but there seems to be little doubt that the New York Senator's terrible torpedo will produce a very insignificant *fizz*, instead of the explosion which was apparently contemplated by its inventor.

The Republicans of two States,—Wisconsin and Kentucky,—held yesterday their conventions for the election of delegates to the Philadelphia Convention and nomination of Presidential Electors. The well-disciplined veterans of the Wisconsin Convention corps fell into line with astonishing celerity, and almost in the twinkling of an eye they had adopted the resolutions, chosen the delegates, and nominated the Electors elected for them by Messrs. Barron and Eyres, the managers of the Convention, the former a recent Bureau officer at Washington, who seems to have been sent home for the purpose of manipulating Wisconsin politics in certain individual interests. The resolutions reaffirm those of last fall's Convention, and renominate President Grant, not only dwell with great particularity upon the familiar virtues of the present Administration, but they add a good deal—in fact a great many of them—for the benefit of the Wisconsin Senators, whose eloquence and learning, as well as their patriotism, are highly praised. Then the officers of the Convention were thanked, and the railroad companies received a benediction for their courtesies which they had extended. It was an extremely good-natured Convention, and exhibited a most touching concurrency with all existing things, except the Department weather prognostics, which are to have been invidiously omitted. The New York general-order business, which is puffed only indirectly, through the vote and resolution.

The Kentucky Convention assembled at Louisville, and passed at the outset a resolution excluding any delegate who would vote for Kentucky parlance, "go it blind" as applause of the Philadelphia Convention. This resolution, coupled with the withdrawal of the delegation, after which the proceedings went on harmoniously, until some trouble was created by the palpable snubbing of the Grant-renomination vote when it was worked successfully in Kentucky and General Harlan, a local politician, was endorsed for Vice President.

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Conkling's Office-Seeking Proposition Discussed in the Senate.

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THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTION.

The New Hampshire election has it is to be hoped, put a final extinguisher on the Democratic party. The American people have been demanding the disbandment of that organization for many years, and each year the demand has been more emphatic. It has now been repeated in New Hampshire under circumstances that admit of no double construction. In that State the Democratic organization, which always becomes rabid under the least prospect of success, determined to make another effort to show that it could obtain public confidence; its venerable Bourbons resolved that they were Democrats and nothing else; they spoke, and wrote, and resolved just as they did before and during the war, and indicated that, though often defeated, they were still the Democrats who flourished previous to the rebellion. They traded with that great fraud known as the Labor party, and with the no less ridiculous concern, the Temperance party, and yet they lost the State. The defeat is more emphatic, and is rendered more conclusive as to the uselessness of the Democratic organization, by reason of their success last year, which grew out of the San Domingo fight and the Summer imbroglio. Add to the prestige of that victory the independent organizations called the Temperance and Labor parties, seeking to divert votes from the Republicans, and the occasion was one when the Democratic party, if it could ever hope for success, might expect it. But the popular repugnance to the Democratic party as a political organization, the instinctive dread with which the people see the same old names forever paraded by that party, and the same old broken-down politicians seeking office, united the people of the State. The Democrats last year elected three members of Congress, and, with the peculiar haste of that party under the faintest promise of success, they had already selected a man for the United States Senate,—"a full-blooded Democrat, one of the old stock;" and they talked largely and vehemently about having a National Democratic Convention, which was to proclaim "Never surrender." To-day the flag of the Democrats of New Hampshire is in the mud, and there is not in all the land a friend of his country, Democrat or Republican, who wants to see it raised again. In this dire defeat he is the last to pronounce its aversion to an organization which is as hateful to the American people as that of which Jeff. Davis was the chief.

The result of the election in New Hampshire, however, is not without its lesson to the Republican party. Notwithstanding the detestation in which the Democratic party is held by the people at large, notwithstanding the fact that the Democratic party in New Hampshire presented their ticket in its naked deformity, the Republican majority is but 1,500, even when the whole party and all its divisions, Grant and anti-Grant, Patterson and anti-Patterson, united against the common enemy. A change of less than 1,000 votes would have reversed the result. The margin in New Hampshire and Connecticut, and in many other States, is entirely too small to justify the engaging in a campaign in which the Democratic party, with its objectionable name, and its old bankrupt politicians, will not be the adversary, but where candidates personally and politically as acceptable to Republicans as any in the country may be competing for the public confidence. It only requires that 3 per cent, or three out of every one hundred, of the Republican voters of New Hampshire should vote against the nominee of the Philadelphia Convention, to give the Electoral vote of that State to the opposition. In Connecticut, the percentage required to accomplish the same result is even smaller. A change of an equally small percentage of the Republican vote in a few other States would give a majority of the whole Electoral vote to the opposition candidate. Is it wise, therefore, to persist in a policy which can have no other effect than to divide the Republican party, and provoke the nomination of other Republican candidates having in every sense the confidence and respect of the country? Would it not be better to nominate at Philadelphia a ticket which would be acceptable to the whole party, and which can be elected by an overwhelming vote of the people?

THE PRESIDENCY AS A PERQUISITE.

When the motive in seeking and accepting office is to get money out of it and out of its opportunities, the mode of performing its duties is generally that which will insure the most money. There is a prejudice in the minds of the masses of the American people against men who carry an "itching palm" into the higher offices of the Government. Statesmanship, patriotism, and impartial judgment can rarely be looked for from one whose estimate of the duties of his office makes the salary his chief inducement to accept it. When, therefore, Colonel Forney exhibits himself before the country as dickering with President Grant as to whether the latter could afford to resign a life office of eighteen thousand a year in consideration of one term of the Presidency at twenty-five thousand a year, and when we find the President accepting the first term only on an implied promise that he should have a second at the same salary, we are compelled to ask, In what estimation does the President hold his office? If it is valuable only for its perquisites, there are certain railroads and several life insurance companies which would pay as high a salary as the Presidency. The position of Collector of the Port of New York, which the President has so jealously kept within the limited circle of his confidential friends, would pay at least twice as much. True it has less dignity, and affords fewer opportunities for moulding the policy of the nation. It is not so sublime a field wherein to exercise the powers and display the acquirements of a deep, powerful, and diversified mind, in a manner to quicken the march of progress, or enhance the welfare of the country or the world. But for all this, a man whose thoughts are upon money does not care. He necessarily despises them as visionary and meaningless phrases.

This conversation with Forney harmonizes in spirit with the general drift of the President's personal and official course since his election. His Cabinet appointments, as originally made, were parcelled out among a few very rich men, who had led the way in making him valuable presents of houses, &c., while a General. Two of them were given to his two personal advisers while a General. Gratitude for past favors, or services to himself individually, dictated the appointment of Rawlins, Stewart, Borie, Fish, and Hoar, no one of whom, except, perhaps, Mr. A. T. Stewart, would have been, at that time, selected by any other person for a Cabinet position. The Cabinet appointments seemed to be valued as perquisites for paying private debts, not as a means of placing statesmen in charge of the Government. Messrs. Fish, Borie, and Hoar were appointed for the pleasing manner in which they had entertained the President. Of course, such a mode of appointing invited the whole country to compete for office by making presents and rendering other pecuniary and personal services.

In these or any other appointments, no Republican leaders were consulted. No impression gained entrance into the President's mind that the Republican party, and its leaders in the Senate and House or country at large, were to have voice in his counsels. The Vice President and the leading Republican members of Congress might as well have been Democrats for all the share they were invited to take in the counsels of their Chief. It was not a Republican victory, but a victory of the General and his family, that had lifted him to power.

We have not often alluded to the appointments of relatives, because, however numerous or worthless they might be, we do not regard them as publicly so demoralizing as the appointment of patrons,—of men who have only earned their positions by subserviency to an individual whether by entertaining him, giving him houses, or otherwise pushing his private interests. Where this system of polite corruption contaminates the fountain of official dignity and power, the lower stream cannot run clear. The favoritism of the President for Murphy, growing out of the social festivities at Long Branch, may seem to be mere good-fellowship so long as it is confined to the amusements of the watering-place. But when Murphy receives instructions to pack the New York State Conventions, in 1871, with delegates who believe that Grant ought to be renominated in 1872, and when he proceeds to do this by fraud, force, and bullying, we perceive a relation between the watering-place festivities and the disgraceful and tyrannical movements in the Primary Conventions which is not attractive.

We cannot assent to the low estimate which regards the Presidency, with all its great powers,—exceeding for the time those of any other human potentate,—as the mere means of enriching one's self and relatives, and rewarding those who aid in the same work. Yet this has been President Grant's estimate of the position, and its consequences have led to most of the complaints against him. It is not so much that he is not a statesman, as that he does not conceive that he ought to be. He assumes that any other person in his place would have the same picayune ideal of the objects for which he was placed there, viz.: to get money, and to help those who help him. This, in legislation, is known as log-rolling, and the courts of law have called it by some severe names. Whether it is any better in Executive administration, the people are beginning to inquire.

THE NEED OF CLEANING UP.

It is high time that Chicago set her house in order and commenced the annual spring cleaning. There never was a time when the occasion was so pressing, or the city needed it so much, both on the score of public convenience and public health. The streets in the burnt district are channels of liquid mud hemmed in with sand-heaps, piles of brick, *tumuli* of *debris*, and great masses of iron, stone, and other heavy building material; and the unusual amount of teaming which has been forced upon streets outside the burnt district has rendered them almost as bad. The absence of sidewalks compels pedestrians to take to the streets and flounder through the mud, at the imminent risk of injury to life and limb, in the tangled jam of vehicles of every description, driven by Jehus who are mindful of everything except the convenience and safety of those who have to trust to their feet to get from place to place. The horse-cars, upon which the general public has to depend, are delayed at almost every block by teams which have been backed across the tracks to dump their loads, whose drivers are never in any haste to accommodate car-passengers. The ordinary running time of a State street car from Randolph street to Twenty-second is twenty-five minutes, but, for the last month, the time has averaged nearer forty-five minutes. The West Side cars are delayed between State street and the bridges even worse. Already the building of the New Chicago resembles the building of Babel in confusion. This, however, is only the beginning of the end. The filth and confusion of the streets will increase almost immeasurably as the season advances, unless something is done to prevent it. At present, buildings which are in process of erection are comparatively widely scattered; but, by the time summer sets in, Wabash avenue, State, Clark, Lake, Dearborn, and Madison streets will present almost a continuous line of new buildings, and, if these streets are now almost impassable, what will they be then? Not only will it be useless for pedestrians to try to get through them, but even street-cars and omnibuses will find it well-nigh impossible to run. Unless something is done, and done speedily and effectually, we shall find ourselves in an inextricable jam, and all progress blocked, before the summer is over.

The remedies for the present deplorable state of things and the precautions for the future are very simple, if there are only resolution and perfunctorily enough upon the part of the authorities to enforce them.

1. The horse-cars must be compelled in their regular routes of travel. Section 10 of the horse-car ordinance exactly meets this case. We quote from this section: "In all cases where any team or vehicle shall meet a car upon either of the horse-railways upon the streets of said city, such team or vehicle shall give way to said car. Nor shall any person wilfully or maliciously obstruct, hinder, or interfere with any of said railway cars, by placing, driving, or stopping, or causing to be placed, or driven in a slow pace, or stopped, any team, vehicle, or other obstacle in, upon, across, along, or near to the track of said railways, or either of them, in said city, after being notified by the ringing of the car bell." This section, if enforced as it should be, is sufficient to keep the tracks clear and give the cars unobstructed right of way, thereby ministering to the public convenience by quick transit.

2. The practice of dumping *debris* into the streets should be stopped at once. A sufficient place has been provided for the depositing of *debris*, and the party who will not so deposit should be compelled to do so or dump his *debris* back into his lot. The ordinance on streets effectually covers all cases of street obstructions, and provides that no person shall encumber a street with building material, "or any article or thing whatsoever," without having first obtained written permission from the Board of Public Works.

3. Sidewalks should be constructed immediately in the burnt district by the property-owners. In case they shall neglect to do this, the powers of the Board of Public Works are ample to compel them to make this improvement. The ordinance on public improvements vests them with full authority, and the occasion for the exercise of that authority never was so pressing as now.

4. The streets should be cleaned, and kept clean, both as a matter of public convenience and health. The latter consideration is one of more importance than appears at the first glance. In the confusion of city affairs, caused by the fire, the Board of Health has been too much occupied with its own reorganization, and with the immediate attention necessary to stop the progress of an epidemic amongst us, to give the cleanliness of the city much consideration; and the result has been that the accumulations of months have been allowed to lie in the streets, and the sewers deranged by the fire have been unable to carry them off. The Board should give this matter their earliest and most thorough care. It is one of vital importance to the city, as it is by no means an impossibility that the cholera may not visit its, or, in the absence of that, other diseases, which, under the aggravation of the accumulations of filth, might become epidemic.

Whatever is to be done, should be done now. There is nothing more important in municipal matters than the cleaning of the streets, the increase of public conveniences, and the removal of street obstructions. The authorities have ample power in the premises, and, if they do not exercise them, we shall have "confusion twice confounded" before the summer is over, if not a compulsory cessation of all progress, and frightful bills of mortality.

There seems to be a suspicion among the leaders of the Labor Reform party that they were "sold out" in the New Hampshire election. This suspicion will be shared by the public,—with a difference, however, as to the mode of expressing the sentiment. "Bought out" is the precise conception that the public entertain of the transaction. Which side bought them, is wholly immaterial. Their vote in New Hampshire shows an astonishing shrinkage from last year, for a party which has a Presidential ticket in the field.

A correspondent at Lafayette, Ind., wishes us to explain why we consider the claim for indirect damages against England, is the matter of the Alabama claims, absurd. Some of the reasons are these:

1. They are in addition to the claims that we had been urging against Great Britain for a period of nine years. If these additional claims were just, or were warranted by international law and usage, it is probable that we should have presented them before.

2. Because we would not pay, nor even consider, such claims if preferred against us by Spain for alleged prolongation of the war in Cuba, or by Prussia for alleged prolongation of the war in France.

3. Because the tax-payers of the United States cannot afford to establish the precedent that they are liable for the cost of foreign wars in which vicious and irresponsible Americans may engage for purposes of pelf. If we pay for the vessels and cargoes they destroy, that is as much as we can afford to pile upon our existing national debt.

4. Because indirect damages are not ascertainable in dollars and cents.

5. Because the claim for indirect damages is likely to result in frustrating and bringing to naught the Treaty of Washington. If it was wise to make such a treaty, it is not wise to put obstacles in the way of a final settlement. The claim for indirect damages is an obstacle without a purpose. If the claims that were urged by our Government, during the nine years antecedent to the Geneva Conference, had been presented to the Conference without the claims for indirect damages, we think the omission of the latter would not have been noticed by one man, woman, or child in the United States.

6. There is no expectation on our part that claims for indirect damages will be allowed. "Respectable nations," as the Cologne *Gazette* observes, "do not put forward claims which they do not expect to get."

7. It appears, from the investigation of the sale of arms to France, that our Government delivered arms and ammunition to French agents after being notified that they were French agents, on a contract made before that fact was known. Our accusation against Great Britain is, that she allowed the Alabama to go to sea after being notified of her true character. Suppose that Germany waits till we get fully committed to the doctrine of "indirect damages," and then files a little bill for the cost of her war with France subsequent to the date of this delivery of arms. Shall we, probably, draw our check for the amount?

Supreme Court Reports.

There are two bills before the Legislature to provide for reporting and printing the decisions of the Supreme Court, known as Senate bill No. 81, and House bill No. 260. The former bill is that under which, decisions have been for a long time been reported by Mr. Freeman, and is so plainly wasteful of the money of the State, as well as unconstitutional, that we cannot conceive that any member of the Legislature can vote for it. It provides that the decisions shall be published by the official reporter, a State officer appointed by the Court, and that he shall receive, for the large number of pages of matter which he will furnish, $6,000; whereas Section 26 of Article 4 of the Constitution prescribes that the printing of the laws, and all other printing ordered by the General Assembly shall be let by contract to the lowest bidder, and requires the General Assembly to provide for doing so by law.

The same section of the Constitution also provides that no officer of the State shall be interested in such contract. If there could be any doubt as to whether the reporter is an officer of the State, it is settled by Section 9, Article 6, Constitution, which says that:

> The Supreme Court shall *appoint* one reporter of its decisions, who shall hold *his office* for six years, subject to removal by the Court.

And by the Constitution, Section 24, Article 5, as follows:

> An office is a public position, created by the Constitution or law, continuing during a term fixed by the appointing power, or for a fixed time, with a success or elected or appointed.

In short, therefore, the Constitution is flagrantly violated by the Bill No. 81, viz.: *First*, in not letting out the printing of the laws by contract to the lowest bidder; and, *secondly*, in not merely allowing a State officer to be interested in their publication, but in enacting that he shall be their exclusive publisher, and shall be allowed to charge a specific price; which, by the way, is nearly twice as much as the lowest bidder would be published for were the contract let, as required, to the lowest bidder.

This last point gives us a hint of the reasons why the Constitution, whose chief aim is to shut down on all barnacles, was drawn with express intent to compel the letting of the printing of the laws, and of judicial decisions which, are a very important part of the law, viz.: the common law, to the lowest bidder.

It was well known to the members of the Constitutional Convention that one of the jobs that needed to be eliminated was the Supreme Court reporter's job, in connection with these reports. The State has paid this officer $33,882, in the two years 1868-'70, for the reports of decisions appearing during that time, which is exclusive of the profits on a somewhat larger sum paid him by the Illinois Publishing Company for printing them. The profit on the publication of these reports is from half to two-thirds the selling price. In other words, of the $66,000 received by the State reporter, during two years, about $33,000 is profit.

Finally, that no feature might be wanting in proof of the ingenious rapacity with which this job is conducted, the reporter, in publishing, has both the State and the members of the bar now supplied by the reporter in each volume with from 20 to 30 per cent less matter than that for which the statute authorizes him to charge the price he has received. In short, the whole job is a piece of Darwinism which has no proper place within the precincts of our Supreme Court of justice. It is carried on by an officer of the Court and of the State, in plain defiance of the interests of the State and the legal profession, and in open violation of the Constitution.

Its profits are such, that we are informed this officer has been offered a salary of $8,000 a year to do nothing but simply allow other parties to perform all his work for the compensation granted by the State, and the profits of the sales above referred to.

House bill No. 260 proposes simply to carry out the Constitution, by letting the printing of the reports to the lowest responsible bidder.

One of the worst features of the Inquisition in Spain, the Reign of Terror in France, the Catholic excitement in England, and the witchcraft delusion in America, was, that the property and life of every one lay at the mercy of any anonymous scribbler. A charge, to which even a scoundrel is unwilling to lend his worthless name, is on its face a malicious lie. And yet this is precisely the system of the New York Custom House. Mr. C. H. W. Schultz, a commission merchant of that city, was told, about a year ago, "in order to carry on things smoothly, you must see the Government officials." Now, in this age of authorized swindles, the Government officials of New York are by no means an entertaining show, but it costs far more to "see" them than to see Nilsson and Wachtel together. Mr. Schultz very prudently declined to pay the requisite admission fee. Soon after, his books and papers were seized and his business thrown into confusion. He wrote to Secretary Boutwell, and obtained from him an admission that the charges against him were anonymous, and that such charges were constantly potted upon. This puts every New York importer at the mercy of any sneaking enemy. An errand-boy, discharged for petty thievery, can almost ruin his old employer by dropping an unsigned note into the Post Office. This is a crying evil. The whole spy system is, at best, of doubtful expediency, even when the men are regularly in Government employ.

In the worst days of debtors' prisons in England, imprisonment for debt was wholly illegal. When a creditor wished to incarcerate his victim, he obtained an order directing him, in the Queen's name, to pay the debt. As he could not do so, he was straightway arrested for wilful disobedience to the Queen's command, and kept in jail until he obeyed it. Ludlow Street Jail is, apparently, becoming the Fleet Prison of New York City, and by much the same indulgence in legal quibbles. New York law permits the arrest of any one who has fraudulently incurred debt by getting articles for which he knew he was unable to pay. The result is, that, whenever a debtor fails to keep his promises, his creditors can at once make an affidavit of fraudulent intent, send him to Ludlow Street Jail, and put his property in the hands of a Sheriff, where, of course, it is sold at a ruinous sacrifice. Some painful instances of legalized injustice have been revealed, which show that the jails, as well as the Judges, of Gotham need to be reformed.

A native of Japan, residing at Washington, has written and published a remarkable letter to our various missionary societies. He says that there are two sides to every question, and asks attention to his own side. His position is, in brief, that an ignorant faith is merely superstition; that the arguments are not sufficiently educated to have anything but an ignorant faith; and that our sending missionaries to them can, therefore, only result in making them superstitious and bigoted. He says: "The proper way to free religion is, first, to educate the people, to enlighten their thoughts, and to enlarge their views, so that they would not be influenced either by any groundless fears or flattering insinuations, and then let whatever missionaries wish come, whether the Jesuits, the Methodists, the Episcopalians, the Baptists, or the Unitarians. Till that time, free religion is worse than a mere idle parade. The educated people alone can enjoy free religion."

There is a curious squabble between the Prussian Governor and the French citizens of Strasbourg. The Governor insists that all dramatic representations shall be given in German, and the people declare that the theatre shall not be so described. For two or three weeks since, the Governor yielded enough to allow a French company to play one night in a week, while their Prussian rivals held the boards for the other six. The result is that, for one night in seven, the theatre is crowded and packed. It is regarded disgraceful not to go. On the others it is disgraceful to go, so that the Governor and the garrison are almost the only attendants, and the Germans, tired of playing to a beggarly array of empty benches, bid fair to be driven from the stage and the city.

The Board of County Commissioners have fixed their own pay at $5 per day, with mileage to the country members. There has been some controversy upon this subject, especially as to whether the authority to fix such pay was lodged. In the absence of any Constitutional prohibition, all legislative power is vested in the General Assembly. In the bill now on its passage in the Legislature fixing the fees and salaries of all State and county officers, there is a provision fixing the pay of the Commissioners of Cook County at $3 per day. This, we suppose, will govern the pay of the Commissioners, at least from the date of the passage of the law.

The Cincinnati *Enquirer* is an agreeable neighbor and an ornament to journalism. In its issue of Tuesday it contains the following notices of two of its city contemporaries:

> The Hon. Richard Smith and the Dishonorable Benjamin Eggleston left for Washington city yesterday. These animals of prey always hunt together. The bow-legged hypocrite can always tell where to find the depot carrying a valise and bag in his hand. It contained one shirt, a pair of yarn socks, a polyglot Bible, a copy of the Sermon on the Mount, Dewy advertisement, a red apple and a box of seidlitz powders. Richard wore his green kid gloves. That independent old fraud, Eggleston, rode down to the depot in a street car. He never carries a valise when he leaves. One shirt a week is enough for him. When he met Dick in the depot he embraced him, and the two refreshed with seltzer-water at the eating-house.

> Bully Halstead used to be known as the great North American Melon Eater. He was employed as a scrivener in one of the public offices, and spent his entire salary in the purchase of water-melons during the season.

We have already once warned the lumbermen of Michigan of the danger attending their persistent opposition to the Chicago Relief bill. That warning is now emphasized by the news from Washington, that their unreasoning and inconsistent course of action is creating much comment there, and that the prospect of placing lumber on the free list is being discussed with more earnestness than ever. In view of the fact that all the Eastern and all the Western States, save Michigan, would rejoice at the prospect of having free lumber, they will cease this opposition, if they have any care for their own interests.

PERSONAL.

Two Boston girls have recently become paralyzed from the effects of corsets.

—A woman named Sarah Pinckney is Captain of one of the steamboats on the Mississippi.

—A young colored woman was graduated Tuesday from the Law Department of Howard University, Washington.

—For seven weeks a revival has been in progress at the colored Methodist Church in Portsmouth, O., under the Rev. P. Tolliver, and 100 members have been added to the congregation.

—Samuel A. Reed, only son of the late Elisha Howe, of Bridgeport, Conn., is going to Scotland to connect himself with the manufactory of the Howe Sewing Machine Company located there.

—Mary E. Ballistier, a maiden lady, aged 50, late of Albany, leaves all her real and personal estate, valued at $6,000, to Henry W. Hurlburt, of Litchfield, Conn., for kindness received from him and his family during a spell of sickness of the deceased in Connecticut some time ago.

—James F. Conover, who last year left an editorial position on the Detroit *Tribune* to enter on theological studies, will, on Sunday next, be ordained to the office of Deacon, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Detroit.

—Thomas Bell, Superintendent of the Detroit & Milwaukee Railroad, will retire May 1, to be succeeded by Frank Moran.

—It seems to be the practice of the fast young men of Hamilton, Ont., when they are "played out" from debauchery, to apply to the Police Magistrate for a few days' incarceration,—a request which seems to be generally granted.

—There is a Boot-Black Brigade in Boston, made up of girls. One of the rules of the association is that the young lady who shines for less than a dime, does so at the penalty of losing her chignon.

—In the Hart divorce case, at Alton, Ill., on Monday, Mr. Worden testified of Mr. Hart that he once "came home so tight that he was as apt to put a piece of meat on top of his head as in his mouth." Mr. Hart stated that it was not true that he had put Helen Drew over his wife in the house. "God Almighty couldn't put any woman over *that* woman in the house."

—A New Yorker drunmer found fault with a Cleveland landlord, recently, because the latter would not cancel a three days' board bill in consideration for being shown the latest style of stove-pipe hats—"fresh from New York."

—A letter from Garnett City, Kansas, says a colony of forty families of Pennsylvania Germans, belonging to the religious sect known as Dunkers, have settled nine miles northwest of that city.

—Dr. Brown-Sequard, Professor in the University of Paris, France, was yesterday married, in Cincinnati, to Miss Maria, eldest daughter of the late John Carlisle.

—Two lady-bankers, doing business in Canton, Ill., will remove to Peoria in May.

—A Foxton, Kansas, farmer died at an advanced age, William Chapman, a miserable miser, worth $5,000, which he has left to an illegitimate son of his. His last wish was that his stick might be placed in his coffin, that he might give "Old Stratford a thrashing with it when he met him, because he disappointed him of buying some land years ago!"

—A photographer from Cincinnati has resided, that is to say, has been on wheels,—in the several cities of Mississippi for nearly six months, and is about to run for Congress. His perambulating photographic institution enables him to canvass the State and attend to business at the same time.

—A Californian is travelling through Canada with a view of making arrangements with manufacturers and other employers to import a number of Chinese into Canada to supply the great demand for laborers and artisans anticipated this year.

—A letter written at the bedside of the Rev. Peter Cartwright, on Thursday, says:

> His mind seems as clear as ever on almost every subject, but not as strong as formerly. He can talk, but when the conversation is changed from one subject to another, it is difficult for him to get his mind back upon previous subject. It is quite a mistake that he has lost the use of his mental faculties.

—Sir William E. Logan, of Montreal, has supplemented with $18,000 the sum of $2,000 contributed last year by him and his brother toward the endowment of the Chair of Geology in McGill University. Principal Dawson will be the first Logan Professor.

—A Philadelphia woman who had broken her leg was so modest that she would not permit the surgeon to set it, and, there being no female doctor around, mortification ensued which resulted in death.

—The Berlin correspondent of the London *Daily News* says:

> It is doubtful whether an attempt on Prince Bismarck's life was seriously intended by the young man from Posen, arrested in the Prussian capital. It seems that the pistol he had with him was not taken into custody has been in his possession for years, ever since he served in the Danish campaign, and that it was a letter of his foster-mother which brought him to Berlin.

—There is an infant phenomenon in Lynn, Conn., in the shape of a little girl, who demands her daily dose of opium with a storm of inexplainable screams if it is not promptly forthcoming.

—The Cleveland *Leader* warns people not to take off their winter underclothing until "Old Probabilities" says it is time. The War Department signal service officers will hereafter take great pleasure in informing the people when to go to the bottom of their trunks and put on white vests.

—One of the handsomest and most curious specimens of the ingenuity of Chinese workmanship is a bedstead now in the possession of Mr. James Hudson, of Washington, which was brought to this country several years since. It is of rosewood and mahogany, of large size, with posts and top of fractional designs, and every portion is covered with box-wood figures, in relief, of Chinese dragons, animals, men, flowers, houses, and scenery, some of the finer figures being executed in ivory.

—A despatch from Warrentown, W. Va., March 9, to the Cincinnati *Commercial*, says: "The Convocation disposed of Dr. Huston's case to-day, by referring it back to the Presiding Elder of the East Baltimore Conference, with instructions to proceed to an immediate investigation. The statement telegraphed from here to the Associated Press, that one of his accusers had withdrawn her charges, is without the slightest foundation in truth. Her friends report that she has been anxious from the first to confront Dr. Huston, and has not varied in the slightest in her statements."

NEW YORK.

Mayor Hall and Andy Garvey—Mysterious Appearance of the Great Plasterer.

His Confession of the Ring Swindles---How His Testimony Will Affect Mayor Hall.

Art Notes---Important Sales of Pictures---The Dusseldorf and French Contributions to Chicago.

Success of the Water-Color Exhibition.

From Our Own Correspondent.
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GARVEY.

It is recorded that, some years ago, a man named Macbeth invited a large number of his friends to a tea-party, and that, when they had all assembled about the supper-table, and were drinking champagne and eating boned turkey, there appeared upon the scene the ghost of a young fellow named Banquo, whom Macbeth had murdered the night before. The sudden and unexpected appearance of this ghostly visitor is reported to have produced the greatest consternation among Macbeth's guests, and to have caused that worthy gentleman himself to indulge in a great amount of profanity. Such of your readers as have seen this scene reproduced upon the stage can form some idea of the effect produced in Court on Friday last when Andy Garvey, the "Great American Plasterer," walked quietly in and took the witness-stand to testify against Mayor Hall. If there is anyone of the old city contractors who knows all about the thefts and other rascalities committed by the old Tammany Ring, that contractor is Andy Garvey. For this reason, he was one of the first against whom an indictment was found, and had the honor to be included in the suit brought against Tweed, Connolly, and others, for the recovery of $6,000,000. When matters here began to get rather warm for the Ring thieves, Garvey fled to Europe, and, the fact of his having run away being generally known, all interest in him had died out. It was not believed that he would ever return, or, at least, not until all these Tammany proceedings had been concluded. Indeed, the charges against him are of the most formidable character,—for apparently, forgery and perjury have been brought directly to his door. Bills in the name of Fillippo Dunnarrema, foreman, formerly in the employ of Garvey, a fresco-painter by profession, to very large amounts, were made out against the city and county, and, in payment of these, the usual warrants were issued in the name of Dunnarrema. That upon these warrants were cashed, the name of the foreman was forged to the warrant, the money was paid to Garvey, and the handwriting of Dunnarrema to the instrument very strongly resembles that of the great plasterer himself. Under these circumstances, and the fraudulent character of his other bills being well known, it was believed that Garvey would never venture upon the scene of his former plastering triumphs. To say, therefore, that his mysterious appearance in the witness-box as a State's witness against the thieves with whom he had been so long and profitably associated produced a sensation, is to put the thing very mildly. For a moment, it fell as a bomb at the Judge's feet, or a flash of lightning stricken down the entire jury, the effect would not have been more startling. When the great plasterer took the witness-chair, the Mayor looked as though they would like to be carried out on two chips, while the friends of Reform lifted up their heads and smiled gladly, as if they saw a rainbow in the distance. Well, Garvey commenced to testify, and Hall's counsel, recovering somewhat from their sudden discomfiture, began to look audible, and to plot in this manner were out the day. Night gave them time to consult and to recover their scattered wits; so, next day, Garvey was allowed to go ahead with his confession. He appeared perfectly willing to tell "what he knew about plastering" without any reservation. His confession of his own and other people's thefts is refreshing to read. More barefaced swindles were never exposed. Here were Tweed, Woodward, Walter Roche, and numerous others employing Garvey to do work at their private residences, and to paint new buildings which they were erecting for speculative purposes, with the understanding that the expense of such work, with a fair profit, was to be added to the bill in his bills against the city and county. By an arrangement made with the city officials, these bills were to be audited and paid without question. Thus, at one time, Garvey put in three bills against the city and county, and in these three bills were covered up $136,000 for work done for private parties,—Tweed, Woodward, Walter Roche, and friend of Tweed's, who is at present homeless,—$50,000 for Tweed's Albany expenses, and $3,000 for Garvey's own political assessment, making the total of the bill about $350,000. The money was paid, Garvey receiving 35 per cent of it, the remainder being distributed among the members of the Ring. The warrant upon which this money was paid has been lost, but the voucher still is among those vouchers which were burglariously abstracted from the Comptroller's office and destroyed. Now, this testimony, although very interesting, as showing in detail the workings of the Ring and the manner in which their stealings were covered up, does not present a single sensation. The fact that Garvey, one of Garvey, and numerous other persons, were fraudulent, and that the city had been paying for work done for private parties, was as well known six months ago as it is now. In its bearing upon the case of Mayor Hall, it simply shows that this claim, which was passed by the Board of Audit, of which he was a member, was a fraudulent one, and that his not withstanding this fact, and preventing its payment, constituted the "misdemeanor" for which the Mayor is being prosecuted. Some people pretend to see in this testimony of Garvey's the net which is being wanted to secure Hall's conviction. For my own part, I confess that I am at a loss to see wherein it strengthens the case of the People. The Mayor will hardly be finally cast upon the legal point as to what amount of neglect of duty is required to constitute a "misdemeanor" deserving of punishment by imprisonment of the offender. If he is not claimed, even by the worst enemy of the Mayor, that he was one of those who received his regular "divvy" from these fraudulent claims, and, in the absence of such proof, I prophesy again (as I have several times before) that, notwithstanding Andy Garvey, the Mayor will eventually be acquitted of the legal charges now being prosecuted. But, surely, his neglect of duty constitutes so much of a "misdemeanor" as to destroy all confidence in his integrity, and to damn him socially and politically to all eternity, cannot be denied. Mayor Hall is a "dead cock in the pit," and, even though it shall not be proven that he shared the plunder stolen from the City Treasury, the majority of people will be now to believe that he got so much "aid and comfort" to the King thieves without deriving some substantial reward. But to prove it—there's the rub. Garvey is going on with his testimony to-day, and will doubtless make further disclosures of his villanies. The return of this thieving plasterer was brought about by his wife. This lady was formerly employed in a photograph gallery on Broadway, where she acquired a good business education, which, added to her natural talent, made her an unusually bright woman. In the days of her husband's prosperity she enjoyed his wealth, and, unknowing that any portion of it was fraudulently obtained. When her husband was compelled to flee from the wrath to come, although much shaken in her faith, she clung to him and accompanied him in his wanderings. Subsequently she returned, resolved to make terms with the Reformers, and secure the withdrawal of the charges against him. On getting back, she opened negotiations with Connolly, Tweed & Co., but soon learned that they were ready to make her husband a scapegoat, and, while striving to secure indemnity for themselves, were ready to let the law take its course with Garvey. She therefore sought out Attorney General Barlow, and made terms with him for the return of her husband; in accordance with which he is now here as a witness against the late confederates. It is reported that, through her negotiations, Garvey truly repents of his sins, is ready to make restitution of all sums illegally received by him, and do all he can to confound fraud, Egan, and the thieves. Mrs. Garvey is represented to be a pure-minded woman, who was fearfully shocked to learn of the misdeeds of her husband, and to hear his name bandied about as that of a common thief. She is willing now to give up everything, and to encounter the direst abject poverty, if only her husband can be allowed a chance to redeem himself.

THOSE CONTRACTORS.

And first here, in order that there may be a proper understanding of the proper amount of infamy which each of our champion thieves is fairly entitled to, I want to say one word for Garvey. Impecunious, knave and all those other unofficial swindlers who have been so roundly abused. It is not much that I can say for them, but—Give the devil his due." When "Brains" Sweeny and "Boss" Tweed took the city and county under their control, they resolved to make it pay. To this end they secured every public office, from that of Mayor down to those held by Fogarty and Bailey, the Court-House scrippers and voucher-thieves. Every appointee was a Tammany thief (the exceptions were too few to be taken notice of), and the word was passed along the line that speculation was allowable, and every one was expected to be "on the make" so long as they divided fairly. Watson, former Auditor, was a forger and thief before he took office, and he found a fitting helper in the person of Woodward, his confidential clerk. Through these two the gigantic frauds were perpetrated. These contractors were employed to do work; they spent their time, their money, and their material in filling the orders given them; they presented their bills, but could not get their money; their creditors pressed them for payment, and their employes clamored for their wages; when nearly driven to desperation, Woodward whispered to them, "Let me make out your bill, you sign it, and I'll get the money;" they consented; Woodward brought them bills to sign in blank, and affidavits certifying their correctness also in blank; with promises of honest dealing and all that, the badgered contractors were induced to sign these blanks, and next day would receive from Woodward his check for the amount due them; then Woodward filled up the blanks, bearing genuine signatures, for such amounts as he saw fit; Watson, Connolly, and Tweed put them through, and divided the profits. In this business, so far as ascertained, Hall was their blind dupe, and not their confederate. The Ring, having thus got the contractors under their toils, forced them to repeat their little game time and again, till, finally, being "in for a penny," the contractors went "in for a pound," and stole a little to their own pounds. This was the manner in which some of them were led on, and this is their excuse. Let them have such benefit of it as an honorable community can afford to award it. Other contractors there were who were "on the make" from the first, and were ready to be seduced on slight provocation. Between them all, they have cost the city $30,000,000!

SENSATION REPORTS.

Since our *Times* got ahead on the exposures of the Tammany frauds, our *Tribune* has shown considerable jealousy, and has consequently been unusually anxious to "beat" the *Times* on other matters. Its representatives have ingratiated themselves with the Reformers, and, by this means, have obtained, at various times, important news in advance. Of course, such an event as the rising from the dead of Andy Garvey set all the reporters agog, and filled the city with a multiplicity of rumors. The enterprise of the *Tribune* got together a quantity of these, which they printed Friday morning, to the great chagrin of the *Times*. Among these reports was one to the effect that Connolly had fled to Europe, and that years ago, previous to his coming to this city, he had been convicted of burglary in Philadelphia, but had been pardoned out by the Governor. This aroused the ire of Mr. Pithian, a son-in-law of Connolly, who proceeded to the office of the *Tribune* and assaulted the city editor, Mr. Shanks. But the city editor is not the man to be attacked with impunity, as Mr. Pithian discovered after he had received severe damage at the hands (and feet) of Shanks. All this time, the *Times* had been exerting itself to get further particulars of the flight of Connolly, and great was the disgust of the reporters when they discovered that the *Tribune* stories were pure fabrications. So much for sensational reporting,—which makes a commotion one day, and has to be taken back the next.

ART-NOTES.

This has been an extraordinary winter for the sale of works of art, and, as a consequence our artists feel very much encouraged. There have been many valuable works sold at private sale, and still larger numbers disposed of by auction. In many instances, better prices have been obtained for pictures at public sale than were asked for them at private sale. The success of the latter attempt in the auction has induced others to offer collections of pictures in the same manner, and several important sales have come not yet announced,—are to come off in April. This week, the well-known dealers, Goupil & Co., commenced what they term a "closing out sale" at Leavitt & Co.'s Art-Rooms. This was rendered necessary to accommodate the addition of another partner to the firm. Some of the pictures offered by them are new, having just been received from their house in Paris,

STATE LEGISLATURES.

Yesterday's Proceedings in the Illinois General Assembly.

Dore's Bill Relative to Deposits by Insurance Companies Passed in the House.

The Burnt Records Bill also Passed in the Lower Branch.

The School Fund Bill—Justices of the Peace.

Governor Baldwin's Message to the Michigan Legislature.

Proceedings in Other State Legislatures.

ILLINOIS.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

THE SCHOOL BILL.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 13.—The School Bill was finished to-day without much difficulty. An effort was made to substitute the appropriation of a million dollars for school purposes instead of a two mill tax, but that was easily beaten. Another amendment was introduced to dispense with the State tax and to allow each town to raise just as much money as it wanted to, thus getting rid of the commissions of Collectors and avoiding the unjust system of distribution by which the wealthier counties were compelled to pay for the education of the poorer ones, but it was of course defeated. Under this bill the difficulty will not be so great, since the distribution will be made by population only, and not by population and territory as of old. The bill was finally ordered to a third reading as amended. The measure has been under the charge of Miller, of St. Clair, who has done all in his power to have it perfectly fair for all parts of the State, and to protect the interests of Cook County as well as those of the southern counties.

TAX-COLLECTION BILL.

The Senate bill for the collection of taxes in cities, which was last week recalled by the House, in order that it might recede from its amendments by which the Sheriff was made responsible, as heretofore, under the city organization, was to-day sent back to the Senate, several of its members professing willingness to consider the matter, though they would have been up here, and are understood to have insisted on the amendments which give to these cities the control of the Sheriff's office. The committee failed to receive. Therefore, when the Senate took up the bill, as it did this afternoon, at Dore's special request, it refused to concur in the amendments, except by Mr. Kerr, to one which relates to the manner in which City Collectors shall make returns of city taxes. The bill, as it now stands, applies to city taxes.

The Senate bill concerning conveyances was adopted.

Mr. Dore's Insurance bill, allowing foreign companies to do business in Illinois without deposit if they have deposited in some other State, was passed—yeas, 31; nays, 2—Messrs. Coler and Hawley.

The bill concerning wills was passed together with the bill in relation to statistics concerning criminal and especially slander and libel prosecutions in Illinois.

Dore's proposition in regard to enrolment was passed.

Adjourned.

MICHIGAN.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

LANSING, Mich., March 13.—The extra session of the Legislature of this State convened in this city at noon to-day, nearly all the members being present. The main business is to reapportion the State into new Congressional districts, instead of six, as at present. There will be little controversy over the political aspects of the matter, as the Republicans desire to preserve the individual interests of aspiring politicians, and these are numerous enough to defy at present all efforts to defeat the object at this time. What shape the ultimate result will take, Congress and other business has been recommended by the Governor, but it is probable that before the session will be extended twenty days.

Nothing was done in the Senate beyond the reference of Governor's recommendations in the Governor's message to appropriate committees.

In the House three new members were sworn in—Peter Morton, of Bay County, in place of W. E. Bates, resigned; H. C. Hodges, of Ionia County, in place of John Landon, deceased, and Jonathan E. Walker, of Jackson County, in place of John J. Phillips, deceased.

The Speaker decided that the special committee of fourteen at last session on the apportionment expired with the session, when again it was revived, and the Speaker ordered to add one new member, for each present Congressional District and two from the State at large, making 22.

The probabilities are that the Senate will constitute a proportionately large committee, and the two will act in joint committee and mature a measure to be submitted to both houses.

LANSING, Mich., March 13.—The following is a synopsis of Governor Baldwin's message:

The first census of Michigan as a State was taken in 1837, when it was the twenty-sixth State of the Union, and contained 212,267 inhabitants. In 1840 it ranked the twentieth, and numbered 212,404. Between the population of Michigan, as the State claimed the sixteenth place. The census of 1870 gave as a population of 1,184,059, making Michigan the fifteenth in the rank of States. Her growth in national wealth has fully kept pace with her increase of population. The assessed valuation of 1850 was $70,000,000; real property in round numbers was in 1860, $277,000,000; in 1854, $120,000,000; in 1864, $167,000,000; in 1867, $175,000,000; and in 1873, $900,000,000. The representation in the lower branch of Congress is now entitled to six members, each member having 131,000 inhabitants. The aggregate population of Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, California, Oregon, Nevada, Colorado, Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico and Washington Territories, by a vote of 15 to 22.

The Committee on the bill extending certain powers to the Board of Commissioners of the Soldiers' Home, reported back the bill, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed. The Senate bill concerning conveyances was adopted.

The Senate referred the Assembly resolution, relating to a reduction of taxes to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Senate bill to organize the east fire department of any city which the State into a fire department was adopted. Senate bill to secure to free tuition in the University of Wisconsin, to pupils in the State, was passed. Senate bill to grant the West Wisconsin Railroad from consolidating or making any special running connection with other railroads, failed.

The Temperance bill came up, and its further consideration was postponed until to-morrow at half past 10 o'clock a. m.

NEW YORK.

ALBANY, March 13.—The Erie bill was ordered to a third reading in the Senate this afternoon. The first section was amended so as to restrict the power of classification. The second section was amended by striking out the clause giving Justices of the peace who should appoint Inspectors of elections the power to fill vacancies in these are numerous enough to defy at present all efforts to defeat the object at this time. That shape the ultimate result will take, Congress and other business has been recommended by the Governor, but it is probable that before the session will be extended twenty days.

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THE LAW COURTS.

Poundstone Given the Benefit of a Doubt, and Let Off.

Convictions in the Criminal Court—New Suits and Judgments.

The Circuit Court.

THE EVENING MAIL MURDER—ALLEGED FORGERY—FOUNDSTONE LET OFF.

It was mentioned a day or two since that in consequence of Judge Williams having received a letter purporting to have been written by Mr. Hobart, the publisher of the *Mail*, offering the Judge one or more certificates of stock in the *Mail* Company, and containing in the same communication certain significant allusions to a suit pending between the company and Alfred L. Poundstone, its former book-keeper, a rule was entered against Mr. Hobart to show cause why he should not be dealt with as for a contempt. Subsequently that gentleman appeared and showed satisfactorily that the signature to that letter was a forgery, and the evidence tended, to such a degree, to show that it had been committed by the said Poundstone, that a rule was entered against him to show why he should not be punished for the contempt, a hearing had in the case of Poundstone case. After hearing the evidence the Court considered that there might be a doubt as to the guilt of the accused, and therefore gave him the benefit of the doubt, and discharged the rule.

JUDGMENT.

In the case of George Gould and others against Nelson B. Holden, Frank N. Holden and Alfred Mason, judgment was rendered for $5,363 68.

NEW SUITS.

An action of trespass on the case was commenced by Mary Ann Sandford against John T. Muller, in which damages are laid at $2,000.

—An action of assumpsit was commenced by Alexander E Guild, jr., against George Parsell, in which damages are laid at $1,000.

—An action of replevin was commenced by Thomas E. Moffatt, against F. A. Stuart, to recover possession of the stock of drugs and store fixtures at No. 919 West Madison street, valued at $1,500.

The Superior Court.

REAL ESTATE.

In the case of Bridget Lary against Michael Drury. Commissioners were appointed to assign dower in the south half of Lot 10, Block 104, in Canal's addition.

DIVORCE.

The case of John R. Regan against Allen Burtiss, to recover $1,000 for the application of a flue cleanser to the Cig Tarrant, was on trial.

DIVORCES.

Louisa F. Williamson vs. John Williamson. Decree of Divorce.

RAILROAD SUITS.

An action of trespass on the case was commenced by Josiah Nutting against the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis Railway Company, in which damages are laid at $4,000.

—A similar action was commenced by Mary E. Owens against the West Divisions Railway Company, in which damages are laid at $6,000.

INSURANCE.

An action of assumpsit was commenced by George W. Blitzer and another against the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company, in which damages are laid at $20,000.

—A similar action was commenced by the same against the Ætna Insurance Company of Hartford, in which damages are laid at $10,000.

AUTHORS OF ASSUMPSIT.

An action of assumpsit was commenced by Anna Abramson against Lewis Johnson, in which damages are laid at $1,500.

—An assumpsit was commenced by C. T. Thomas against John W Naylor and Frank A. Moureley, in which damages are laid at $1,000.

—An action of assumpsit was commenced by James T. Stewart and another against Edward Mansfield, in which damages are laid at $5,000.

—An action of assumpsit was commenced by Samuel Finley and another against John Phillips and Frederick Schofield, in which damages are laid at $1,500.

ACTIONS OF TRESPASS.

An action of trespass on the case was commenced by Mary Ann. Edward, and Kate McLaughlin, infants, by their next friend Margaret Laughlin, against the Ætna Insurance Company, in which damages are laid at $10,000.

—An action of trespass on the case was commenced by Elizabeth Ann Smith against Emily and Hon. W. Dobson, in which damages are laid at $2,000.

The Criminal Court.

CONVICTIONS.

George Smith, the somewhat notorious high-waymen of West Washington street, pleaded guilty to three indictments for robbery. Remanded.

—Frank Masterson pleaded guilty of the larceny of clothing, and was sentenced to the County Jail for three months.

—John Rader was found guilty of the larceny of a watch and chain from a Miss Tursley, and his term was fixed at two years in the penitentiary.

—John Smith was found guilty of the larceny of a robe from a Mr. Sandford, and sent to the County Jail for twenty-five days.

—Jesse Bowles pleaded guilty of petit larceny, and was sent to the County Jail for ten days.

—Henry Hoff pleaded guilty of burglary with intent to do bodily harm, and was sent to the County Jail for twenty-five days.

—John Reis pleaded guilty of petit larceny, and was sent to the County Jail for thirty days.

The County Court.

WILL PROVED.

The will of Thomas Walsh was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary were issued to Anna Brennan on bond of $6,000.

—The will of Mary Wale was proved, and letters of administration, with the will annexed, were issued to Edward Reiger on bond of $600.

ADMINISTRATION.

Mary J. Smith was appointed administratrix of the estate of William Smith, on bond of $5,100.

—Olof Benson was appointed guardian of Annie E. Tarrant, and another, on bond of $3,000.

THE ERIE RAILROAD.

Its New Vice President. Mr. O. H. P. Archer.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: The public have not been informed of the fact that James Fisk, Jr., had resigned the office of Comptroller of Erie before the tragedy of the 6th of January. We are in possession of information which shows that he resigned, and his successor was elected on the 30th of December.

Mr. O. H. P. Archer is the coming man. He is of old Knickerbocker stock, a native of New York City. He has made his own fortune by industry and push that would know no failure. Mr. Archer is a fine specimen of a man—good-looking; has a well-shaped head, firmly set, with black hair and whiskers; and the air and bearing of a man who knows his own worth, and is sure to attend to it. He is generous, of noble impulses; knows how to say no; is stable in his friendships, and a Christian gentleman. He is prompt, bold, quiet, comprehensive in his views; grasping at once the whole of a project, and at the same time as if by instinct, entering into the details and little things which make up the unmake fortune. Commodore Vanderbilt was often asked what was the secret of his success. His replied, "I never talk of what I am going to do, but do it." Mr. Archer knows how to do the things while other men are thinking about it. He has the combination of qualities which Mr. Vanderbilt, with the power of patience and persistance of detail that is peculiar to himself.

HIS BUSINESS PRINCIPLES

are few and simple. He would never undertake a venture but for a remunerative consideration, and he would not do well, and by the time specified. Another principle was, and of which he was so tenacious as he was persistent in computing fortunes, never to give a man his due in his early beginnings, when he had not the money to pay for an article, or which he did not think the money was worth, but to use it. One of Daniel Drew's principles of business was, "money on deposit, or on call, is power." And we know of several cases where since 1868, in which he wielded that power to coin millions. As one of Mr. Drew's advisers, Mr. Archer has had a chance to learn many things, not the least of which is always to have money on deposit or call. When last we heard from him on his rapidly increasing property he told us he had not yet departed from his policy of buying for cash, even in his large real estate transactions.

HE DOES NOT GAMBLE IN STOCKS.

Unlike the railroad potentates,—the leading principals of whose lives he has carefully studied,—he has as carefully avoided the bulls and bears, and corners, and brokers' pools. The friends of Erie, and of a wise, judicious, business management of the road, will be pleased to learn that the new Vice President has yet to reach his first year in office on Jersey street. He has accumulated a fortune on solid, Christian, business principles, and does not propose to risk it upon any of his principles. Wherein lies

HIS POWER?

It may be asked. To what does this man, so unlike the avowed princes of railroad-dom, owe his election to the position he occupies? It is not in his immense wealth, like Mr. Vanderbilt, that he has power with the frequenters of Wall street. It is not in the possession of a keen analysis of character places it,—in the man. His associates wanted character in the place he now occupies. They wanted, in the words of Gen. Grant, qualifications in the man that should follow James Fisk, Jr. He who must that position must be a man who can be trusted, by his past record, to attend to retrench expenses, but increase the business of the road; to work it to its maximum of capacity and safety; to transport freight and passengers with reference to rapidity, and safety, and comfort. And this he knew Mr. Archer to be. Chief Engineer Darling of Gotham and his associates knew it a certainty that by no possible means could he be made to submit to any corruption, but by giving character to the office, and its best management to the road of which it was the head, he would be a power for it, was not merely a concession to the Nemesis of the public, which demanded a victim in his person, but a recognition of the fact that the road must have that; a firm, bold, persistent, business management, which shall command the confidence of the public, and win the favor and trust of those who journey.

THE ROAD ITSELF

is one of the wonders of the elements of modern science. It has been before the public so long as a synonym for the most gigantic frauds, that it is hard to realize that it is one of the best managed roads in this age of wonders. Running from the most luminous region of Northern Pennsylvania, through the mountains, the fastnesses of the mines, ravines and deep caverns crossed, and the beauty of the far-reaching valleys of Orange and Sullivan counties, and others open suddenly on the view, make a ride over it, especially in summer, a scene of joy, and of rich, crisp, fulness of delight. It is the favorite

ROUTE OF TOURISTS

to the Delaware Water Gap, and to the balance of the mountain scenery, the perusal of which we are dependent for our communication with the land, and for the carriage of our immense products to the Atlantic coast. We chill re-state, that James Fisk, Jr., as is Commodore Vanderbilt, and many immense owners of live stock all over the country, found his interest in the Erie road to be the one he left free, with its entire rolling stock, to carry other freights, both ways, at greatly reduced rates to our producers and consumers. But we need it, and all the others, and all the valuable roads to which we have made an agreement they can give us, to carry to us the numbers of people who are to fill our prairies, and fill our bowers of beauty.

A RAILROAD IDEA.

Where there are immense territory and large numbers of settlers to be reached, and much area to be affected permanently thereby, the ordinary and morally certain rules of profit and appreciation of value would do not apply. *Any road from Chicago to New York City, under the centrality now, and laws of association, like those of the Erie road, would be a very great benefit to be bonded and sold outside the corporation, only a matter of months.* We wonder that such a road is not already in progress and under the conditions exist in Chicago and the great North-west. Such a road should be built in the most substantial manner, with double track, and *preference to its shortest route and through carriage.* One condition of the corporation should be, and unalterable *forever*, that, after paying running expenses, and a given interest on stock, say 6 per cent, passengers and freight should be carried at the lowest figures to the public, and nonebut *this

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, March 13.

The present aspect of financial affairs favors a progress toward stringency in the money market generally. In New York, the first of April is a settling day for the interior trade of the neighboring States, and at that time, there is a considerable flow of currency to the States of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Connecticut. This is, of course, a circumstance of only minor importance in itself, but in conjunction with several other existing circumstances, favors the continuance of a close money market in New York for a month yet.

In this market the supply of loanable funds keeps up better than was expected, but it is apparent that there is less than there was a week or ten days ago.

Exchange continues firm at about 25c per $1,000 discount to par for sales between banks. It is also firmer in both St. Louis and Cincinnati. At the counter bankers sell at par and buy at 1-10 discount.

CONSOLIDATION OF CITY RAILWAYS.

The speculation in Chicago city railway stocks, which has run the price of both South and West Side stocks from 115 last fall up to 160 now, is based on a proposal to consolidate the two companies and run "through cars," say from Twenty-second street via Madison and Randolph streets to Halsted, for one fare. Some other modifications of the present system are also contemplated. To sustain present prices of the stock the net earnings of the consolidated companies would have to be nearly double what they were a year ago. It is doubtful whether the companies can consolidate without violation of their charters, but whether they can or not, there will probably be opposition to the consolidation, and the ability to operate a line of stock on the prospect of consolidation is purely speculative.

THE YONKERS AND NEW YORK INSURANCE COMPANY.

The agent of the above Company sends us the following:

By telegram received from the Receiver this morning, I am informed that a first dividend of forty per cent has been declared and will be paid. This is all. After the fifteenth. Parties in interest will be further advised by advertisement as to manner and place of payment as soon as instructions sent by mail are received. A. WILLIAMS.

1068 Indiana avenue.

TRACY AND VANDERBILT.

We gave in this column, yesterday, a foreshadowing of the next great consolidation of railroads, which will probably be effected on the completion of the Canada Southern Railroad from Buffalo to Amherstburg, on the Detroit river. It is intended to have this road completed soon after Jan. 1, 1873, and, as mentioned yesterday, the prospect is that there will be a practical consolidation of the Rock Island, the Northwestern, and the Canada Southern. The western terminus of the latter road, however, at Amherstburg, also indicates the probability of an affiliation with the Vanderbilt roads by a connection with the Michigan Southern, and consequently to a similar connection with the New York Central, east of Buffalo. As some of the same persons who are building the Canada Southern, from Buffalo to Amherstburg, are also promoting the Chicago & Canada Southern, from opposite Amherstburg to Chicago, and the Peninsular of Michigan, from St. Clair to Chicago, it would seem that the new short line would eventually be more permanently connected with these latter roads than with the Michigan Southern; but the fact that the New York Central has leased the east end of the line eastward, toward both Boston and New York, and also that the Union Pacific has now passed into the control of the Vanderbilt party, thus giving them the keys to a trans continental line from New York and Boston to San Francisco, favors the presumption that the affiliation of the Tracy and Vanderbilt parties may grow into something permanent.

GREENBACKS FOR DUTIES.

The proposition to receive greenbacks at par, instead of coin, for duties on imports, has been a hobby with some of the financial thinkers for a long time, and General Butler has at length introduced the proposition in Congress. The forcing of irredeemable paper money into circulation by the Legal-Tender act, is the root of all our financial evils, and the extension of the system to the payment of duties would only extend the evil. It cannot be denied that if greenbacks were made receivable for all the duties, it would cause an enormous decline in the price of gold, and this again would cause a corresponding rise in the price of gold. The difference in the effect of receiving gold for the duties in greenbacks and receiving one-third in greenbacks, as proposed by General Butler, would be only a difference of degree. The way to get rid of greenbacks is to get rid of the greenbacks; any measure which makes greenbacks displace specie would result in the further depreciation of the government credit, and consequently of the greenbacks.

INFLATION BY CERTIFICATES.

The Sherman bill for the retirement of $3,000,000 in 7 per cent certificates each month in addition to the amounts to be called in each month under the act of July, 1870, has failed, and the New York banks are trying to get relief from the law by counteract the contraction of greenbacks which is produced by the monthly retirement of greenbacks in progress of the law, through the Federal Bank currency under the $54,000 000 act of July, 1870. What they propose is that the Treasury shall issue certificates of the denomination of greenbacks to any amount, and that these certificates shall be identical with the 7 per cent certificates, except that they shall not bear interest. If the greenbacks deposited under such law were not sealed up and kept as a special fund, the effect of the certificates would, of course, be an inflation of the currency to just the extent that they were issued.

THE STOCK AND BOND MARKET.

Quotations for buying and selling in this market this afternoon are furnished by Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Keah as follows:

	Buying.	Selling.
United States 6's of '81	115	115½
" " 5's of '67	111½	111¾
" " " '68	111	111½
" " " '65	111	112
" " 10-40's	107	107½
" " 7-30's	112	112½
" " 5's of '81	107	107½
" " 6's of '81	115	115½
" " 5's of '81	111	111½
United States Currency 6's	114	114½
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 7-30s	100 and int.	
Chicago City 7's	100	
Cook County 7's	100	
Cook County 6's	100	
Illinois Exchange	100½	101
Illinois Exchange (large drafts)	100½	101
Illinois and Gold Coupons	100½	101
Warrants, 1868's	185	
Warrants, 1869's	122	123
Agricultural College Land scrip	173	175

LATEST.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Gold call at 110@110¼, and were from 7 to 2 per cent. Clearings $20,000,000.

Governments quiet and steady.

The early party of the day stocks were dull and weak, with little change in prices. In the afternoon followed by an improved feeling. The extreme fluctuations of the day were 4 to 1½ per cent, and were most in Fort Wayne, Rock Island, Northwestern common. Among the eccentric were United States Express advanced from 71¼ to 74¼, and Quicksilver from 39 to 50, common, from 94 to 46 for preferred. The market closed very active, as the general feeling was weak, on any one day for a long time past, and many holders sold out, while more would soon so had there been buyers enough to all the offerings. Nevertheless, several markets closed firm.

Money was dull, and again 1c lower, in with a decline of ½c in New York. The was nominally weak at 8@6 till the close, he rate sold at 8@6.

Local bogs were quiet at $3 60 for packers' lots $3.15@3 for extra. The season is practically over, and there is no use in continuing quotations. Sales to-day were 40 head.

Lake freights were quiet and quoted firm at previous rates at 12½@13c for corn to Buffalo, and 18c for do to Oswego, both by sail.

Provisions were moderately active but very weak, pork declining 12½@20c per bbl; lard 5s per 100 lbs, and meats ruling a shade easier under a decline in Liverpool and weak New York. The weakness of the past two or three days is especially noticeable in the fact that pork and lard options sell at much less advances on cash prices than will pay the cost of carrying it till the time of delivery. The market opened at a shade below the closing prices of yesterday, and soon weakened under free offerings, from parties who had grown tired of carrying with no hope of a recuperation in prices. The news from Cincinnati, to the effect that the packing of the West is larger than was anticipated, helped to depress prices. The *Price Current* will give the footings of the packing of the West for the year ending March 1, 1872, in a few days, when these figures may be altered by several hundred thousand hogs. If we may judge of the future by the past packing returns compiled by that authority. And inasmuch as the packing of Chicago, the most important point, is not yet made up, it is difficult to see how the footings of the whole West can be given. Our market closed at the following range of quotations: Mess pork, cash or seller March, $15.80; do, seller April, $15.80; do, seller May, $15 65; do, seller June, $15.75; prime, $13.75; Lard, cash or seller March, $8 20; do, seller April, $8 35; do, seller May, $8 42½; do, seller June, $8.40. Green hams sold at 12@12½c. Dry salted meats at 4c for shoulders; 5½c for rough sides; 6½c for short ribs; 6½@6¾c for short pauins and run "through cars," say from Twenty-second street via Madison and Randolph streets to Halsted, for one fare. Some other modifications of the present system are also contemplated. To sustain present prices of the stock the net earnings of the consolidated companies would have to be nearly double what they were a year ago. It is doubtful whether the companies can consolidate without violation of their charters, but whether they can or not, there will probably be opposition to the consolidation, and the ability to operate a line of stock on the prospect of consolidation is purely speculative.

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The agent of the above Company sends us the following:

By telegram received from the Receiver this morning, I am informed that a first dividend of forty per cent has been declared and will be paid. This is all. After the fifteenth. Parties in interest will be further advised by advertisement as to manner and place of payment as soon as instructions sent by mail are received. A. WILLIAMS.

1068 Indiana avenue.

TRACY AND VANDERBILT.

We gave in this column, yesterday, a foreshadowing of the next great consolidation of railroads, which will probably be effected on the completion of the Canada Southern Railroad from Buffalo to Amherstburg, on the Detroit river. It is intended to have this road completed soon after Jan. 1, 1873, and, as mentioned yesterday, the prospect is that there will be a practical consolidation of the Rock Island, the Northwestern, and the Canada Southern. The western terminus of the latter road, however, at Amherstburg, also indicates the probability of an affiliation with the Vanderbilt roads by a connection with the Michigan Southern, and consequently to a similar connection with the New York Central, east of Buffalo. As some of the same persons who are building the Canada Southern, from Buffalo to Amherstburg, are also promoting the Chicago & Canada Southern, from opposite Amherstburg to Chicago, and the Peninsular of Michigan, from St. Clair to Chicago, it would seem that the new short line would eventually be more permanently connected with these latter roads than with the Michigan Southern; but the fact that the New York Central has leased the east end of the line eastward, toward both Boston and New York, and also that the Union Pacific has now passed into the control of the Vanderbilt party, thus giving them the keys to a trans continental line from New York and Boston to San Francisco, favors the presumption that the affiliation of the Tracy and Vanderbilt parties may grow into something permanent.

GREENBACKS FOR DUTIES.

The proposition to receive greenbacks at par, instead of coin, for duties on imports, has been a hobby with some of the financial thinkers for a long time, and General Butler has at length introduced the proposition in Congress. The forcing of irredeemable paper money into circulation by the Legal-Tender act, is the root of all our financial evils, and the extension of the system to the payment of duties would only extend the evil. It cannot be denied that if greenbacks were made receivable for all the duties, it would cause an enormous decline in the price of gold, and this again would cause a corresponding rise in the price of gold. The difference in the effect of receiving gold for the duties in greenbacks and receiving one-third in greenbacks, as proposed by General Butler, would be only a difference of degree. The way to get rid of greenbacks is to get rid of the greenbacks; any measure which makes greenbacks displace specie would result in the further depreciation of the government credit, and consequently of the greenbacks.

INFLATION BY CERTIFICATES.

The Sherman bill for the retirement of $3,000,000 in 7 per cent certificates each month in addition to the amounts to be called in each month under the act of July, 1870, has failed, and the New York banks are trying to get relief from the law by counteract the contraction of greenbacks which is produced by the monthly retirement of greenbacks in progress of the law, through the Federal Bank currency under the $54,000 000 act of July, 1870. What they propose is that the Treasury shall issue certificates of the denomination of greenbacks to any amount, and that these certificates shall be identical with the 7 per cent certificates, except that they shall not bear interest. If the greenbacks deposited under such law were not sealed up and kept as a special fund, the effect of the certificates would, of course, be an inflation of the currency to just the extent that they were issued.

THE STOCK AND BOND MARKET.

Quotations for buying and selling in this market this afternoon are furnished by Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Keah as follows:

	Buying.	Selling.
United States 6's of '81	115	115½
" " 5's of '67	111¾	112
" " " '68	111	111½
" " " '65	111	112
" " 10-40's	107	107½
" " 7-30's	112	112½
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United States Currency 6's	114	114½
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 7-30s	100 and int.	
Chicago City 7's	100	
Cook County 7's	100	
Cook County 6's	100	
Illinois Exchange	100½	101
Illinois Exchange (large drafts)	100½	101
Illinois and Gold Coupons	100½	101
Warrants, 1868's	185	
Warrants, 1869's	122	123
Agricultural College Land scrip	173	175

LATEST.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Gold call at 110@110¼, and were from 7 to 2 per cent. Clearings $20,000,000.

Governments quiet and steady.

The early party of the day stocks were dull and weak, with little change in prices. In the afternoon followed by an improved feeling. The extreme fluctuations of the day were 4 to 1½ per cent, and were most in Fort Wayne, Rock Island, Northwestern common. Among the eccentric were United States Express advanced from 71¼ to 74¼, and Quicksilver from 39 to 50, common, from 94 to 46 for preferred. The market closed very active, as the general feeling was weak, on any one day for a long time past, and many holders sold out, while more would soon so had there been buyers enough to all the offerings. Nevertheless, several markets closed firm.

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COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, March 13.

Receipts, grain, and produce for the past twenty-four hours:

	Received.		Shipped.	
	1873.	1871.	1873.	1871.
Flour, bris	4,255	3,000	2,000	2,000
Wheat, bu	6,330	3,000	2 6 9	1,000
Corn, bu	13,967	2,961	1,130	
Oats, bu	15,000	12,168	4,168	
Rye, bu	6,916	11,234		
Barley, bu	1,050	400	782	
Grass seed, lbs	1,640	1,776	1,691	
Provisions, lbs	65,210	56,143	29,406	
Hides, No	2,630	31,500	20,000	
Cattle, No	19,300	1,500	4,500	
Hogs, No	31,286	1,220,236	884,451	
Sheep, No	37	62	115	
Horses, No	1,475	1,433	1,116	
Lumber, m ft	88,010	256,352	57,400	
Shingles, m	13,782	13,262	31,450	
Salt, bbls	36,212	97,019	41,610	19,200
Wool, lbs	27	120	692	
Potatoes, bu	6,972	3,843	3,589	1,904
Broom corn, lbs	2,310	2,734	1,436	1,904
Coal, tons	2,230	2,213	1,850	1,200
Coke, bu	79,872	95,237	6,400	37,027
Timothy seed, bags	156	542	483	
Clover seed, bags	1,263	92,215	13,511	28,350
Other grass seed, lbs	1,127			
Eggs, pkgs	26	342	1,483	
Butter, lbs	1,472	2,850	1,934	1,934
Cheese, lbs		34	158	
Ale, bbls	1,540	1,038	619	

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CHICAGO DAILY MARKET.

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BUTTER—The butter market was moderately active, and prices were firm for the better grades. Common and medium descriptions were easy, without any quoted lower. We repeat our list as follows: Strictly choice dairy, 25@27c; fair to choice tub and firkin, 16@22c; inferior to common, 12@15c.

BAGGING—There was only a moderate movement in this class of goods, but the market was firmer for all articles in the list. We continue to quote: Stark, 20½c; Grahampton, 27½c; Philadelphia, 27½c; Ludlow, 27½c; Lewiston, 27½c; American, 26c; Royal River, 26c; burlaps, basis, 21½@22½c; gunnies, single, 19½@20½c; do double, 28½c; wool sacks, 70c.

BUILDING MATERIALS—The demand was more active to-day, the weather being more favorable for building operations. Prices, however, were unchanged, the market ruling steady at the following quotations: Stucco, $2.75@3.00 New York stucco, casting, $3.75@4.00; superfine do, $4.00@4.25; cement, $1.75; Rosendale cement, $1.00@1.25; marble dust, $2.00; lime in bulk, $1 20@1 30; sand, per bbl, $2.00@2.25; plastering hair, per bu, 35@40c; fire brick, per 1,000, $40.00@50.00; building brick, $12.00@16.00; fire clay; $4.00@5.00 per bbl.

BEANS—Remain steady and firm at the following prices: $1.60@1.75 for common; $1 85@2 10 for fair to choice medium, and $2 20@2.50 for navies.

BROOM CORN—Is more active, but steady. We quote: Common, $40.00@70.00 ₱ ton; fair to medium, $80.00@100.00; choice, $110.00@130.00, and choice to hurl, $140.00@160.00.

COOPERAGE—Is quiet, and unchanged. We quote: Pork barrels, $1 20@1 30; lard tierces, $1.80@1 85; whiskey barrels, $1.90@2.10 flour barrels, 46@48c. Staves and heading quoted at $18 00@20.00 for pork barrels, and 48 50@9 00 for barrels.

CHEESE—In this branch of trade there was a fair degree of activity, and the buoyant feeling that has characterized the market for some time past continues. We repeat our quotations of yesterday, as follows: New York factory, grainie, 18@19c; Western factory, 17@18c; Ohio factory, 16@16c.

COAL—The coal market was quiet at former rates. We quote: Lehigh, delivered, $13.50@13.75; Lehigh, lump, $11.50; Lackawanna, $13.50@13.75; Pittston, $10 01; Briar Hill, $10.00; Walnut Hill, $10.00; Cherry Mine, $9.00@9.50; Blossburg, $9.00; Big Muddy Valley, $7.50@8 00; Blossburg, $9.00@10.00; Minonk, $8.00; Wilmington, $6.00.

DRY GOODS—Were again in large supply, and prices were again lower. There was a good demand, but sales dragged at 11@12c.

FRUITS—DRIED—Business in this department was quiet, and prices were firm and without material change, ranging as follows: Figs, new, 20@22c; figs, drums, 14@15c; figs, bags, 20@21c; Turkey prunes, old, 9@10c; do, new, 12@12½c; French, do, 16@16c; raisins, new, $6 00@6 50; blackberries, 12@13c; pitted cherries, 32@35c; peaches, pared, 22@23c; peaches, halves, 8@8½c; do, quarters, 7½c; currants, 10@10½c; apples, new, Southern, 6@6½c; do, New, Western, 4½@5c; do, new, Western, 4@4½c.

FUEL—Met with a liberal inquiry, and the market was very firm at former prices. We quote: No. 1 wheelers, $6 00@6 50; No. 2 do do, $5 00@5 50; No. 1 trout, $5 00@5 50; No. 1 shore mackerel, $8 00@8 50; No. 2 do do, $6 00@6 50; No. 1 shore lake herring, $6 00@6 50; No. 2 do do, $5 00@5 50; family kits $1 15@1 50; bank cod, $7 00@8 00; George's cod, $7.50@8.00; Shore cod, $6 00@6 50; herring, scaled, 45@50c; California salmon, half bbl, $10.50@11.00.

GREEN FRUIT—Trade was dull at the annexed quotations: Apples, from store, $3.00@4.50; cranberries, $9 00@10 50 for wild, and $12.00@14.00 for cultivated; lemons, $5.00@5.50; oranges, Messina, ₱ box, $4.00@6.00.

GROCERIES—In this department of trade no new feature was developed, and the general movement was witnessed and with the exception of coffees the market ruled steady and firm at former quotations.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 19@19½c; stearine, 12@12c.

COFFEES—Choice Rio, at 24@24½c; prime do at 23@23½c; good, at 22@23½c; common, at 20@21c; O. G. Java, at 24@29½c; Singapore, at 24@29c; Costa Ricas at 24@25c; Miracaibo, at 24@25c.

RICE—Rangoon, at 5@6c; Carolina, at 9@9½c.

SUGARS—Hard rugars at 12½@13c; A, standard, at 12@12½c; A, No. 2, at 11½@12c; B, at 11@11½c; XC, at 11@11½c; C, at 10½@11c; choice brown, at 10@10½c; fair do, at 10@10½c; New Orleans do, at 9@10½c; molasses, do at 9@10c.

STARCH—Glucose, at 6@6½c; corn, 10@10½c; laundry, at 7½@8c; pearl, at 8@9c.

HAY—No change took place in the market. Only a limited demand existed, and the quoted prices were nearly nominal. On track—Timothy, best grades, $13.00@14.00; timothy, choice, $12.00@13.00; timothy, poor to fair, $10.00@12.00; prairie, choice, $12.00@13.00; prairie, poor to fair, $9.00@11.00; prairie, loose, $8.00@9.00 ₱ ton; baled, $1.00@1.50 per hundred pounds, according to distance.

HIDES—Were in demand at full prices. We continue to quote: Dry flint, 20@21c; dry salted, light, 15c; do heavy, 10@c; part cured, 10@11c; green frozen, 8@9c; murrain kip, 11@c; veal kip, 14c; green salted, 8@9c; dry salted, 12@13c; dry calf, 20@21c; dry kip, 20c; green salted, 9@10c; deacons, 50@55c; grubby, scored, cut, or otherwise damaged, two-thirds prices; branded, 10 per cent off.

IRON AND STEEL—Remain firm as previously quoted. The following are the prices current:

Horse-shoe iron	6½c
Bar iron	4 8-10@4 17-10 rates
Heavy band	5 1-10@5 3-10 rates
Light band	5 6-10@5 7-10 rates
Hoop	5 1-10@5 3-10 rates
Oval	4 6-10@4 7-10 rates
Round and square	4 6-10@4 7-10 rates
Half oval	5 6-10@5 7-10 rates
Russian iron, perfect	20 rates
Russia, No. 1, stained	18 rates
Sheet iron	7½ @ 8 rates
Norway railroad	7½ @ 8½ rates
German plow steel	9 @13 rates
Extra cast plow steel	10@12½ rates
Spring steel	10@12½ rates

LEATHER—This market was again active and the following quotations were firmly adhered to all around:

City harness	.37@ .39	Rough upper, 11 to 12 lbs	.35@ .37
Country harness	.34@ .36	Rough upper, 13 to 14 lbs	.32@ .34
Line city, ₱ lb	.39@ .42	Rough upper, 15 to 16 lbs	.30@ .32
Kip, G'n	.80@1.00	Calf, 7 to 9 lbs	.32@ .34
Kip, veals	1.00@1.15	Rough upper, 17 to 18 lbs	.28@ .30
City upper	.25@ .29	Buffalo slaughter	.34@ .36
No. 2, ₱ ft	.22@ .26	Buffalo slaughter	.32@ .34
Collar, ₱ ft	.21@ .25	Buffalo slaughter	.31@ .32
Calf, city	$1.35@1.40	"B A" sole	.31@ .32
Calf, country	1.10@1.25		

OAK.

Calf	$1.20@1.45	French calf, 24 to 26 lbs	$1.90@2.30
Kip, No. 1, medium	.80@1.00	French calf, 26 to 30 lbs	1.80@2.10
Kip, No. 1, heavy	.75@ .85	French calf, 30 to 36 lbs	1.60@2.00
Harness	.40@ .45	French kip, 26 to 30 lbs	1.60@2.00
French calf, Jodot	85.00@85.00	French kip, 30 to 100 lbs	1.60@1.80
French calf, Lemoine	66.00@80.00		

LUMBER—There is no change to note in this market, except a firmer feeling in shingles, which are held higher by some dealers. We quote:

First and second clear	$48.00@52.00
Second clear, 1 inch to 2 inch	47.00@50.00
Third clear, 1 inch	39.00@42.00
Third clear, thick	43.00@45.00
First and second clear flooring, together	40.00
First and second clear siding, together	23.00@25.00
Common flooring, dressed first	24.00
Common flooring, dressed second	20.00@30.00
Worm boards, selected, 16 inches and upwards	35.00@40.00
A stock boards	24.00@35.00
B stock boards	20.00@22.00
Common boards	22.00
Joist, scantling, small timber, etc., 18 feet and under	20.00
Fencing	18.00@19.00
Joists and scantlings, 18@24 feet	20.00@22.00
Pickets, square	16.00@18.00
Pickets, dressed	18.00
Cedar posts, split	16.00@18.00
Cedar posts, round	20.00@22.00
Lath	4.25@ 4.75
Sawed shingles, No. 1	3.00@ 3.50
Sawed shingles, A or star	4.00@ 4.50

SALT—Is firmer. STOCK—Market was fairly active and firm at the advance established yesterday. We repeat our list as follows:

TIN PLATE—IC, 10x14, $14.00; do 12x12, $14.50; do 14x20, $15 00; do roofing, IC, $13 50.

COKE—Per 2,000 lbs, $5.00; do per bbl, 47c.

SHEET IRON—Full cask, 11½c; less quantity, 12c; slab, 9c.

PIG IRON—No. 24, 6c rates.

COPPER—Copper bottoms, 42c; brazers, over 12x28, 38c; tin'd copper, 37c.

WIRE—No 6, 6 38; 7, 6; and 8, 10c; 10 to 11, 7½; way as high as 2½@28c have been obtained, but 12, 15½c; 13 and 14, 12½c; 15 and 16c, 13c; 17, 15c; 18, 16c; 19, 19c; 20, 20c; full bundle, 20 per cent discount; cloth wire, by box, 7½ per ₱ lb; bale, 7½c net.

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Important Railroad Meeting at Council Bluffs—Propositions Regarding the Transfer of Freight—Railroad Bridge Tested.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, March 13 — An important meeting of railroad managers was held here yesterday. The General and Assistant Superintendent of the following named roads were present: The Rock Island & Peoria; Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific; Chicago, Burlington & Missouri River; Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs; and the Union Pacific Railroad. The occasion of the meeting was to make arrangements for the transfer of passenger business between the Eastern and Southern lines and the Union Pacific over the great bridge recently completed. It transpired that Mr. Sidney did not attend at Illinois to see for the Union Pacific as to the place and manner of transferring freights and passengers, or the amount the Union Pacific would expend in the necessary buildings, without communicating with the President of his Company, but he solicited the views of the managers of the Chicago and St. Louis lines on the question of transfer, which resulted in the present meeting. The following situation was presented by the several lines: First, that they would deliver freights and passengers to the Union Pacific Railroad Company at Council Bluffs; second, that they would deliver freight to no transfer company for whose acts the Union Pacific would not become fully and unequivocally responsible; third, that freight consigned to the Union Pacific Road must be received and delivered at large number of depots by said Union Pacific Company, in Council Bluffs; fourth, that they would receive, report for, and deliver freight and take passenger tickets from the Union Pacific Railroad, only in Council Bluffs. Mr. Sidney promised to obtain a report by the next session on the matters submitted to the several officers. It was also agreed that, pending the decision, the freight and passengers should be crossed by boat as at present.

The bridge across the Missouri River, which has been in course of construction the winter through, was proved on this afternoon, and the river is now clear.

The Union Pacific bridge has been tested very thoroughly, and the result is understood to be very gratifying to the engineers.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

To Consumptives—Many have been happy to give their testimony in favor of the use of "Wilbor's Pure Cod Liver Oil and Lime." Experience has proved it to be a valuable remedy for consumption, scrofula, debility, and all diseases of the throat and lungs. Manufactured only by A. B. Wilbor, Chemist, No. 186 Court street, Boston. Sold by druggists generally.

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Rough skin made smooth by using Juniper Tar Soap, manufactured by Caswell, Hazard & Co., New York.

For Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Depression of spirits and General Debility, the Peru Phosphorated Elixir of Calisaya Bark, Iron and Quinine is the best tonic, made by Caswell, Hazard & Co., New York, and sold by druggists.

A Word to Mercy.—$15,000 is 3,000 cash prizes will be legally distributed, March 25, in aid of the sick and destitute at Mercy Hospital, Omaha, under the auspices of the Sisters of Mercy. Ticket price, $50.00. Tickets, 25 each, or two for $5. Extraordinary inducements to agents. For full particulars address Potter & Gardiner, Omaha, Neb.

Steeling Upon You Like a Thief, Time Tries to rob you of your hair. Ruffle him. Fortify the roots and nourish the hair. Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer. Then they cannot decay or perish, but must become young again. There is nothing in the world to compare with it for invigorating and cleansing the hair. Sold by all Druggists.

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AUCTION, FRIDAY MORNING, AT 10 A.M., at head of horses of all grades; also two express wagons, 2 lumber wagons, 1 spring truck. Anything in your stock if you want it sold. No charge for stock if not sold. W. A. RUSSELL, 267 West Lake-st.

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FOR SALE—A YOUNG PAIR OF ROANS, with long tails, suitable for business or carriage. 44 North Franklin-st., Chicago.

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I HAVE OPENED A FEED & SALE BARN ON the corner of Sixteenth and Burnside-sts. Will take limited number of boarders and make liberal advances on horses left for sale or boarding. C. CROSBY.

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WANTED—A GOOD 2-SEATED BUSINESS buggy, with or without top, new or second-hand. Address J 79, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO PURCHASE FOR CASH, A good business horse. No "plugs" wanted. F. W. COREY & CO., 45 Dubbard-court.

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FOR SALE—FIRE PROOF CLAY FOR 50,000,000 brick free of charge; equal in quality to any in Cook County; examination at our office. H. F. WHITWELL & CO., Room 4, Nixon's building, northeast corner Monroe and LaSalle-sts.

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TO EXCHANGE—A FURNISHED HOUSE AND lot 25 feet front lots in Stavenwood. WM. A. WEAVER, 209 Wabash-av.

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Prairie-av., choice residence, large lot; $50,000.

Calumet-av., fine residence, large lot, 60x132 depth; $40,000.

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Michigan-av., near Thirty-seventh-st., fifteen brick houses, stone trimmings, large, and finely finished; $12,000 each.

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Wabash-av., marble-front, near Twenty-fifth st.; $16,000.

Indiana-av., brick residence, first class; $13,000.

Michigan-av., brick, cottage and lot, near Twenty-sixth-st.; $4,500.

Twenty-fifth-st., elegant residence and lot; $20,000.

Twenty-sixth-st., house and 50 feet lot; $7,500.

Forty-third-st., new house, two lots; $5,500.

Forty-third-st., new house and lot; $6,000.

Kenwood, house and large lot; $9,500.

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Michigan-av., 82 feet, full depth, with house, near Twenty-eighth-st.

Michigan-av., 66x180, east front, with house, near Twenty-ninth-st.

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130 Lots on Michigan-av., cornering on South Water-st.

641 feet fronting east and south on Michigan-av. and Fourteenth-st. Easy terms on all the above.

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FOR SALE—SEVERAL DESIRABLE LOTS on Sangamon-st., west of Halsted, Randolph and Lake-sts., some good bargains; 1,370 feet front on Western-av., corner of Erie-st.; Fourth-st. north of Madison; 2 lots on Fifty-first-st., $25,000. Irving Park Addition in blocks and lots, very desirable and cheaper than the outlot. So do thousands of equal taste and refinement.

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INDIANA-AV.—2 story house and brick basement, with good barn; $6,000.

INDIANA-AV.—2 story and basement brick house, east front; all modern improvements

PRAIRIE-AV.—Neat 1-story house, with basement, near Thirty-first-st.; $3,000.

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FOR SALE—BY H. C. MORRY, 116 WEST MADIson-st.:

Fine class frame house and corner lot, 66x125, on Warren-av.

A choice residence, 2-story and basement brick, 8x5 66, and lot 25x165, on Adams, near Aberdeen; $13,000.

Marble front house on Park-av., near Wood; $15,000.

No. 178 South Peoria-st., 10 rooms, brick cellar, $7,000.

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49 feet on Wood-st., near Monroe, east front.

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FOR SALE—MARBLE FRONT NO. 441 WEST Madison-st., lot 24x170 to alley. Also 2 lots 25x170 Gilt edge brick 846 Washington-st.; lots 25x170 to alley all improvements. Cottage 15 Union Park place 2 lots 25x170 to alley. Residence in monthly instalments property on West Madison-st. D. COLE & SON, Real Estate Agents, 16 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—WEST MONROE-ST.—MARBLE front house of 11 rooms, and lot. 50 feet front on West Monroe-st., near Lincoln. SNYDER & LEE, No. 14 Nixon Buildings, northeast corner of Monroe and LaSalle-sts.

FOR SALE—INDIANA-AV.—MARBLE FRONT house of 11 rooms, and lot. 50 feet front on Indiana-av., near Twenty-first-st. SNYDER & LEE, No. 14 Nixon's Buildings, northeast corner of Monroe and LaSalle-sts.

FOR SALE—MICHIGAN-AV.—FIRST-CLASS frame dwelling-house and lot, 50 feet front, on Michigan-av., near Twenty-first-st. H. F. WHITWELL & CO., Room 4, Nixon's Buildings, northeast corner of Monroe and LaSalle-sts.

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FOR SALE—BY H. C. MORRY, 116 WEST MADison-st.: Large brick building, 70x100, and lot 123x165, on West Harrison-st. Also business property for manufactory, and will be sold on easy payments.

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FOR SALE—IN BURNT DISTRICT; ADAMS-st., near Michigan-av., 27x122; price $25,000.

Adams-st., near Michigan-av., 36x122; price $30,000.

Dearborn-st., north of Washington, 20x80 ft, price $25,000.

State and Washington-sts., northwest corner 92x95; price $200,000.

Dearborn-st., north of Washington, 60x80; price, $72,000.

State-st., north of Monroe, 22x90; price $90,000.

Wabash-av., near Van Buren, 50x165 to river; price $25,000.

Ohio and Pine, 10x120; $210 per foot.

HART & BIGGS, 50 East Harrison-st.

FOR SALE—OR LEASE, AT A BARGAIN, 100x33 at the corner of Jefferson and DeKoven-sts. Inquire of H. F. WHITWELL & CO., Room 4, Nixon's building.

FOR SALE—BY W. J. ONAHAN, 53 CENTRAL Union Block, 2-story and brick basement house, No. 198 Wells-st., lot 41x176; price, $7,000, cash. Good store, barn, etc., 70 Canalport-av.; $6,000. Three lots on Canalport-av., near Jefferson st.

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FOR SALE—NEAR UNION AND JEFFERSON Car Depot, 2 lots on West Monroe-st., and 1 on Wood-st., 2 new swell-front, French roof, brick houses, 10 rooms each, with all modern improvements, having south fronts; also, corner Jackson and Warren-av., 10 rooms. This property will be sold low, on easy payments, at better rates than high rents. Apply to J. H. BRAYNARD, 281 Warren-av.

FOR SALE—FREMONT STREET—TWO LOTS on Fremont-st., between Sophia and Webster, SNYDER & LEE, 14 Nixon Building, northeast corner of Monroe and LaSalle-sts.

FOR SALE—GOOD LOTS ON BUTTERFIELD Arnold, Wentworth, Shurtleff, Indiana, Dalton, Harvard, Newberry, Prentiss, Hermosa, Bunker, Wallace, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth-sts. All out of fire limits. A very small payment down; 5 years, 7 per cent. No agency business. Perfect titles. Full warranty deeds. ALBERT CRANE, 672 Wabash-av.

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FOR SALE—WEST JACKSON-ST., NEAR RACine, a two-story frame house and lot 25x100. Price $2,000. Terms, $500 cash, balance to suit purchaser. Apply to A. BLAKE, 202 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—FRONT ON LAKE-ST., BETWEEN Wabash and Michigan-avs.; $750 per foot.

Forty feet on Wabash-av., between Adams and Jackson-sts.; $1,125 per foot.

Forty-five feet on Lake-st., about 100 feet West of Wabash-av.; $1,000 per foot.

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FOR SALE—HOUSES ON ADAMS, MADISON, Walnut, Hoyne, and Morgan-sts., on the West Side, and a number on the South Side. Also a large list of vacant lots, well located lots for residence and business purposes on the North, South and West Sides, and a large number of country residences, farms and lands in the NATIONAL REAL ESTATE BUREAU, 1 and 3 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—THREE-STORY AND BASEMENT marble front house, No. 60 Michigan-av., with or without furniture, will be sold cheap to close an estate.

Two-story and basement marble front house, furnished, on Indiana-av., near Eighteenth-st.; $70,000.

Three-story marble front house on Michigan av., just south of Twentieth-st.; $25,000.

Two story and basement marble front house on Indiana-av., south of Thirteenth-st.; $13,000.

Three-story and basement marble front house on Indiana-av., south of Twenty-sixth-st.; $18,000.

Also a number of first-class houses on the avenues varying in price from $15,000 to $50,000.

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FOR SALE—IN FEET ON VAN BUREN-ST. BY 76 feet deep, northeast corner; $9,000. F. A. BRAGG & CO., 46 East Harrison-st.

FOR SALE—LOT 20X100 FEET, EAST FRONT, on Sangamon-st., between Washington and Randolph-sts.; alley side and rear. F. A. BRAGG & CO., 46 East Harrison-st.

FOR SALE—LOTS IN THE ROAN GARDEN Block, fronting on Monroe and Sangamon-sts. The only residence square within two miles of the Court House that will have no wooden buildings upon it. To parties who will build in accordance with present improvements, long time will be given, and low prices and terms required down. H. H. SHUFELDT, 146 Fulton-st.

FOR SALE—SPECIAL BARGAINS, BY CLARKE & CO., 278 State-st. The following desirable lots: No. 36 Sixteenth-st, northeast corner of Indiana-av. Marble front, with all modern improvements; also a wooden front house on the rear.

A fine church site 80x201, on Wabash-av, west front, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third-sts. The finest piece of property now on the avenue for sale.

Cottage house with basement, rooms, kitchen, bath-room, hot and cold water, and furnace, on Lake, improved, barn; being No. 185 South Robey-st. Price $4,100. One-half cash, balance 4 years. Rent $29. Factory, 111.

FOR SALE—BY THE OWNER—A FINE BASEment cottage, 9 rooms and closets; lot 22x100 to an alley; nine blocks from street cars and Union Park; price, $4,000; one-half cash, or easy terms. Inquire at the Masonic Building, corner of Halsted and Randolph-st.

FOR SALE—SEVERAL RESIDENCES AND lots, desirably located, and cheap, from $4,000 to $12,000. BARNEY & WAIT, 46 East Harrison-st.

FOR SALE—MICHIGAN-AV., SIXTH PERT. BE-tween Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth-sts. 124 West-with feet, east front; easy terms; title beyond question. C. H. WARREN, 418 Michigan-av., opposite Standard Hall.

FOR SALE—STATE-ST., SOUTH WEST CORNER of Thirty-sixth-st., 200x132 feet; 2 story house per itself 7 rooms and basement; little perfect; abstract preserved and clear. C. H. WARREN, 418 Michigan-av., near Thirty-seventh-st.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—BY JACOB WEIL & CO., 121 AND 123 Lake-st.

Lot on the corner of Wells and Jackson-sts; 50 feet front.

Lot on the southwest corner of Wells and Monroe-sts; $60,000.

$6,175 feet on the northwest corner of Van Buren and Sherman-sts; 100 feet front.

50 feet on South Clark-st., near Jackson, $30,000, 1-3 cash, balance in 1, 2, and 3 years, with 7 per cent interest.

40 feet on Lake-st., near Clark, at $450 per foot, 1-3 cash, balance 1, 2, and 3 years, with 7 per cent interest.

50 feet on Adams-st., between Wells and Franklin, $600 per foot.

22x85½ feet on the northwest corner of Franklin and Jackson-sts., $60 per foot.

25 feet on Forty-fourth-st., between South Park Boulevard and Vincennes-av., at $50 per foot cash.

Lot on Butterfield-st., between Fiftieth and Fifty-first-st., $15 per foot, 1 cash, balance in 1, 2, and 3 years.

FOR SALE—BY THOMAS A. & M. HILL, 401 Wabash-av.

MICHIGAN AV.—Marble-front house, near Twenty-sixth-st.; $20,000.

WABASH-AV.—Marble-front house, lot. Twenty-second-st. Twenty-third-st.; $30,000.

WABASH-AV.—House and lot near the corner of Twenty-second-st., a fine place of business property.

PRAIRIE-AV.—Marble-front house, near Twenty-sixth-st.

ST. JAMES-AV.—House and lot near Twenty-third-st.; $13,000.

INDIANA-AV.—House and large lot near Twenty-first-st.; $16,000.

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STATE-ST.—25 ft., near Thirty-first-st.

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FOR SALE—BY HENRY P. GEORGE, SUCcessor to George & Hill, 289 State-st.

40 feet on Wabash-av., near Harrison-st.

40 feet Belden-av., near Hurlbut-st.

25 feet Kildare, near Madison.

100 feet Wabash-av., near Thirty-first-st.

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50 feet Michigan-av., corner Thirty second-st.

91 feet Kankakee-av., corner Thirty-third-st.

25 feet Fulton-st., near Wood.

50 feet Grenshaw, near Centre-av.

Lots, DeKalb-st., near Harrison, $750.

Lots, Davison, near North-av., $600.

Lots, Joseph-st., near Wood, $1,000.

Lots, Joseph-st., near Archer-av., $700.

Lots, Superior-st., near Market, $5,000.

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FOR SALE—THE BEST BARGAIN WEST OF Union Park, new house, 9 rooms, 50 feet lot on Park-av.; only $5,000; cheap at $6,000. H. G. GOODWILLIE, 133 West Madison-st.

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